

*United States Army*  
**Battalion Commander**  
**Fred D. West**

**Lieutenant Colonel**  
**1-410 Field Artillery Battalion**  
**4<sup>th</sup> Cavalry Brigade**  
**First Army Division East**  
**Effective**



Lieutenant Colonel Jackie K. Kaina attended Indiana University where he received a B.S. in Arts and Sciences. He received a Regular Army Commission as a Field Artillery officer in May of 1997.

LTC Kaina's first assignment was with the 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion, 17<sup>th</sup> Field Artillery Regiment, 2<sup>nd</sup> Infantry Division in Korea where he served as a Company Fire Support Officer for Bravo Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 506<sup>th</sup> PIR, and COLT Platoon Leader for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Brigade, 2<sup>nd</sup> Infantry Division. His next assignment was to 4<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division, Fort Hood, Texas from 1999-2001. He was assigned to the 4th Battalion, 42<sup>nd</sup> Field Artillery where he served as a Battery Platoon Leader and Executive Officer for Alpha Battery. He then served as the Battalion Assistant Operations Officer and Battalion Supply Officer. He participated in numerous National Training Center (NTC) rotations and participated in the Force XXI testing and developing. In 2002, LTC Kaina graduated from the Field Artillery Officer Advanced Course and was assigned to the 1<sup>st</sup> Infantry Division from 2002-2005. He was assigned to the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 6<sup>th</sup> Field Artillery Battalion. While assigned to 1-6 FA, LTC Kaina held positions as 2-63 Armor Battalion Fire Support Officer and Headquarters and Headquarters Battery Commander. During this time, LTC Kaina deployed to Kosovo as part of Operation Joint Guardian and Baqubah, Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. In 2005, LTC Kaina was assigned to the National Training Center (NTC) as an Observer Controller as part of the Live Fire Team (Dragon Team). He served as the Armor/Infantry Battalion Fire Support Team Trainer, Convoy Trainer, and Close Quarters Battle Trainer. He finished his assignment as the Deputy for Live Fire Operations. Following NTC, LTC Kaina was assigned to Military Transition Team (MiTT) 0410 in Tikrit, Iraq from 2007-2008. During this time he worked with the 4<sup>th</sup> Iraqi Army Brigade to Advise, Train, and Assist units in the Diyala province. From this assignment, LTC Kaina attended the Command and General Staff College (CGSC), Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. Following CGSC, LTC Kaina was assigned to the 25<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division and 2<sup>nd</sup> Stryker Brigade from 2009-2012. He held numerous positions in the Division Fires Element and as the Brigade Fire Support Officer, Battalion Operations Officer, and Battalion Executive Officer. During this tour he served in Support of Operation Iraq Freedom from 09-10 and 10-11. From 2012 to present, LTC Kaina has served as the Chief, Army Advisory Element to the 505<sup>th</sup> Command and Control Wing, USAF Air Warfare Center in Hurlburt Field, FL.

LTC Kaina's awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal (3<sup>rd</sup> Award), Meritorious Service Medal (3<sup>rd</sup> Award), Army Commendation Award (7<sup>th</sup> Award), Army Achievement Medal, Combat Action Badge, Parachutist Badge, and Air Assault Badge.